

REMARKS

Summary of the Office Action

Claim 14 is indicated as being non-compliant. Specifically, the Office Action indicates that in the Response submitted February 16, 2010:

- page 4, line 1 of amended claim 14 deletes an “a” that did not exist in the 10/16/2009 claim set;
- page 4, line 1 indicates a “the” as newly added text, but it already existed in the 10/16/2009 claim set;
- page 4 line 1 [at the end of line 1] changes a “the” to an “a” without any strikethrough, double brackets or underlining to show the change; and
- page 4, line 13 recites “the plurality first light receiving regions” when the 10/16/2009 claim set recited “the plurality of first light receiving regions.”

Summary of the Response to the Office Action

Applicant thanks the Examiner for pointing out the informalities in the Response submitted February 16, 2010 and amends claims 14 to correct the noted informalities. Specifically,

Applicant amends claim 14 such that:

- the previously non-existent “a” indicated as deleted on page 4, line 1 of amended claim 14 is no longer shown;
- the “the” previously indicated on page 4, line 1 as newly added text is now no longer underlined, and instead shows the “the” as previously existing in the 10/16/2009 claim set;
- the “the” and “a” of page 4 line 1 [at the end of line 1] in the previous submission now have the requested double brackets and underlining; and
- the previous recitation on page 4, line 13 [indicated as page 4, line 1 in the Office Action] which mistakenly recites “the plurality first light receiving regions” has been corrected to recite “the plurality of first light receiving regions” as intended.

Applicant also makes a change to the Response submitted on February 16, 2010 to correct an additional error. Specifically, Applicant changes page 3, line 3 to recite “to receive the third” instead of “to the receive third” as was mistakenly recited in the February 16, 2010 Response.

Applicant requests entry of the present Amendment, and intends that it be used to amend the claims from the Response submitted October 16, 2009. Applicant further intends that the Remarks of the Response submitted on February 16, 2010 be entered into the record. Accordingly, Applicant requests entry of the present Amendment and reconsideration and timely withdrawal of the pending rejections for at least the reasons discussed in this Response and for the reasons discussed in the Response submitted February 16, 2010.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant believes that a full and complete response has been made to the pending Office Action and respectfully submits that all of the stated grounds for rejection have been overcome or rendered moot. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are allowable and that the application is in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner feel that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of this response, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the number below to expedite prosecution.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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